

House File 2611 - Introduced

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(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2238)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing the continuation of group health insurance for
2 spouses of certain retired public employees.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5118HV 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 509A.13, Code 2007, is amended to read
1 2 as follows:
1 3 509A.13 CONTINUATION OF GROUP INSURANCE.
1 4 1. a. If a governing body, a county board of supervisors,
1 5 or a city council has procured for its employees accident,
1 6 health, or hospitalization insurance, or a medical service
1 7 plan, or has contracted with a health maintenance organization
1 8 authorized to do business in this state, the governing body,
1 9 county board of supervisors, or city council shall allow its
1 10 employees who retired before attaining sixty-five years of age
1 11 to continue participation in the group plan or under the group
1 12 contract at the employee's own expense until the employee
1 13 attains sixty-five years of age.
1 14 b. This ~~section~~ subsection applies to employees who
1 15 retired on or after January 1, 1981.
1 16 2. If an employee who retired before attaining sixty-five
1 17 years of age continues to participate in the group plan or
1 18 under the group contract until the employee attains sixty-five
1 19 years of age as provided in subsection 1, the governing body,
1 20 county board of supervisors, or city council may allow the
1 21 spouse of that employee to elect to continue participation as
1 22 a member in the group plan or under the group contract at the
1 23 spouse's own expense until the spouse attains sixty-five years
1 24 of age. A spouse who makes such an election shall pay the
1 25 total premium for the group plan or contract and shall have
1 26 the same rights to change programs or coverage as the retired
1 27 employee.

EXPLANATION

1 28 This bill relates to the continuation of group health
1 29 insurance benefits for spouses of certain retired public
1 30 employees.
1 31 employees.
1 32 The bill provides that if a state, county, or city employee
1 33 who retired before age 65 continues to participate in the
1 34 group health plan or contract until that person reaches age
1 35 65, the state, county, or city may allow the spouse of the
2 1 retired employee to elect to continue to participate as a
2 2 member of the group health plan or contract at the spouse's
2 3 expense until the spouse also reaches age 65.
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